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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

2nd July 1877, No. 2,178.

Read the following paper:—

No. 20. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 24th November 1876, No. 2,943.

Read the following letter from the Hon. P. MACFADYEN, Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated 10th October 1876:—

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REFERRED to the Board of Revenue for report on paragraph 2.

OOTACAMUND,
12th October 1876.

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Secretary to Government, R.D.

As will be seen from paragraph 5 of their Proceedings embodied in G.O., 30th May 1876, No. 721, the Board have already expressed a doubt as to the necessity of printing and publishing separately the monthly returns of trade of this Presidency, and they now fully agree with the Chamber of Commerce in thinking that the statements need not be published. The statements printed by the Government of India and by the Chamber of Commerce contain all the information that is important and useful, and it will not be possible to publish the Board's returns before those of the Government of India are out. The latter are published within a week after the accounts reach Calcutta, but it has not hitherto been possible to publish those of this Presidency for two months after the returns are sent to the Government of India, as will be seen from the figures below. There is but one clerk employed on the work, and the statement published here contain a great deal more matter in regard to coasting trade than those of Calcutta. No doubt, the work could be expedited by employing more clerks, and getting the returns printed in a private press, but it is unnecessary to incur expense and trouble for

Revenue Department, 2nd July 1877, No. 2,178.

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3. The Trade Establishment in the Board's Office is now overworked, and if the printing of the monthly returns is dispensed with, and the services of the clerk employed in preparing the statements made available for general work, the early despatch of the monthly returns, to which the Government of India attach the greatest importance, will be facilitated. The Board, therefore, recommend that orders be passed accordingly.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

No. 21. ORDER THEREON, 2nd July 1877, No. 2,178.

Separate Revenue, No. 3.
Customs.

THE Board's proposals are approved.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
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H. H. Evans
Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Exd. A. Raitt.

N: 2175

2-7-77.

2. 6. 1877. 1. Chairman of the Board of Revenue.

Monthly Trade Returns — of Madras Presidency — Recommending that orders may be issued to discontinue the printing and publishing of —

NOVEMBER.
No. 2943.

1876. 27th Oct.
Board of Revenue,
MADRAS.
27.10.76.

The Chamber of Commerce.

Madras 10th October 1876.

From

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Chairman, Chamber of Commerce.

To

The Honble W. Huddleston,
Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort Saint George.

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I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 5463/6

From Pres. Board of Revenue

Dated 24: November 1876.

FOR ORDERS.

And approve the
proposals of the
J.P. & agree to
complete & print
Bog. Print

Recd 1896 Sept 11

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From the Chairman

Chairman of Committee

Recd 10 Oct 126

Recd 12 Oct 1876

Recd 17 Oct 1876

J. G. 2 Aug 77 No 2118

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Resolving not to delay the
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Revenue Secretary

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12 Oct 1876

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FOR ORDERS.

Monthly Sum. Pmt.
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